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# ALUMNI SHARING SESSION

# General Information On The Talk

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JOHOR – On 29 December 2020. there was an Alumni Sharing Session happened via online about Inspiring work experience & Covid-Pandemic Challenge. session is organized by Technology and Information System (SECP 1513), School of Computing of UTM, Johor. The session was started at 10:00 am and ends at 11:00 am. The session is moderated by Dr Johanna Ahmad who is a senior lecturer in the School of Computing. There are three alumni attended to share their experience. The first person is Tan Yong Keong who is currently working as a data science engineer in Micron Semiconductor Asia. Secondly, Batrisya Azman Shah who is a social media data analyst in TM One and the third person is Muhamad Zumarul Akmal bin Mohn Hussin who is a data engineer in PPG Coatings. Throughout this talk, the alumni shared many things such as how they manage to get their job, their current project, tips to enhance us during this pandemic, how to gain confidence to interact with others and future career preparation.

competitions until the degree program ends. we can gain achievement from the competition if our performance is good and this helps us to get job in future. Other than that, as a student we should expose ourselves by giving ideas based on what we have learnt so that the problem faced by company will be resolved.

The alumni sharing session is useful for everyone especially undergraduate students. From the talk given, I learnt much information on how to secure a job and what kind of questions would be asked in interview. Moreover, soft skills are crucial for everyone to be able to work in a company. It is because, I must be able to communicate with the team members regarding the projects given to give ideas so that it will be completed soon. Not only that, I also can build self-confidence volunteering in my group assignment. If any mistake occurs in teamwork, as a member I must be responsible for it. The weakness that I realized in the talk is some of the student are joined late, so it makes the session started a bit delayed. Hence, I should take some further steps so that it can minimize the mistakes.

There are several tips to increase the chance of getting hired on your job. Firstly, when you studied at the university, you can participate in a competition. Not just that, you can also work freelance in order to increase your technical skill. So when you've been interviewed when apply for a job, the company usually like to hire you. On the other hand, we must be more pro-active. For example, you can ask your manager to make something that can be useful to your company. Based on Mr. Zamarul experience, he once asks the manager to make a system that can monitor big data only by one click. And from that, the supervisor gives more attention to you. You can also be more proactive when working projects.

On this talk too, the speaker tells us some advice to improve your skill. Firstly, when you are given a task do it quickly by yourself do not wait until somebody or someone teaches you. Next, do not limit yourself, learn anything that you can learn in order to improve your technical skill. And also. Zamarul told us to learn new technichian skill. You can take on online learning or course to increase your fundamental skill. Mr. Tan Yong Keong said in order to improve your programming skill,



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The alumni sharing session was good overall as it gives me many new perspectives of what I am going to face in the future after my degree. The presentation and explanation of the alumni was clear enough for me to understand. I think this are the strength of the talk. The only weakness that I found in the talk is starting time as it is started a bit delayed. I learned that I need both soft skills and hard skills to surpass the job requirements in my future. I am so motivated to trust myself via this talk. I have learnt on how to gain confidence and prepare for my future career via this talk.

## Purpose of The Talk

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JOHOR - The main purpose of this talk is to provide lesson for student in getting a permanent and secure job after finishing their degree program. Since everyone are COVID-19 pandemic in situation, most of employers in a company are getting terminated from the job due to less production. Hence, as a student we should know about the company's expectations on skills and education required by an employee. Based on the talk, there are several ways that should be considered so that we can manage to get a job. Firstly, we should actively participate competitions until the degree ends. It is because, we can improve our presentation skills by participating in

# What Happen In The Program In Chronological Order

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JOHOR - At 10.05 a.m., Dr Johanna Ahmad has started Alumni Sharing Session by introducing herself and alumni. The alumni introduced themselves. At 10.10 a.m., Dr Johanna Ahmad asked Tan Yong Keong how he managed to secure his job, interview and code. Dr Johanna Ahmad also asked Mohamad Zumarul Akmal bin Mohn Hussin and Qistina Batrisya Binti Azman Shah the same questions. At 10.20 a.m., Dr Johanna Ahmad asked alumni about data science tools, and tips for learning new language. At 10.30 a.m., Dr Johanna Ahmad asked alumni about how to speak with confidence and share ideas. At 10.40 a.m., Dr Johanna Ahmad asked Mohamad Zumarul Akmal bin Mohn Hussin if he likes study life or work life more. At 10.45 a.m., the Q&A session started. The alumni were also asked about their first-year university experience. The alumni gave their last words to the audience and the session ended at 11.00 a.m.

Strengths of the talk are the information provided are useful as the information are from alumni that have work experience and faced the same things we are facing now. The presentation of alumni is also easy to understand. The weakness of the talk is the session started late and caused not enough questions to be asked by audience. I learned the characteristics needed to become a competitive graduate. I am motivated by alumni to work harder for a better career in the future.

### Summary of the Talk

Muhammad Khalif Arbai

**JOHOR** – In this industrial talk, we learn how to manage your job. There are several tips to increase the chance of getting hired on your job. Firstly, when you studied at the

you just need to practice because practice makes perfect. Not just hard skills, you also need to improve your soft skill. For example, you must have good communication skills so you can communicate with others better. Good team working also needed, because when you're working a project it will be easier if you can do it with your group's projects rather do it alone.

In my opinion, the strength of this talk is we can get a new knowledge to improve my hard skill and soft skill to prepare for my future jobs. And for the weakness is this talk contain less information that I need for example, the procedure how to be more pro-active, how to manage your job properly and others. After I attend this industrial talk, I got motivated, it makes me to study harder to achieve my dream goals. I got some knowledge about the glance of how to get hired higher on a job interview.



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